

Remarks

A. Summary of Claims

No claims have been added, amended, or cancelled. Claims 4-51 are pending.

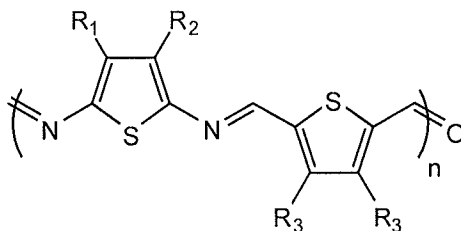
B. Response to the Species Election Requirement

The Examiner requests Applicant to elect one of the following species for further prosecution:

Applicants are required to elect a single species of either monomer, dimer, trimer, oligomer or electrically conducting polymer or method of making an electrically conducting polymer. If the electrically conducting polymer of claim 29 is elected a species of polymer composition as defined by claims 43-47 must be selected.

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In response, Applicant elects the following polymer, which is the subject matter of claim 36:



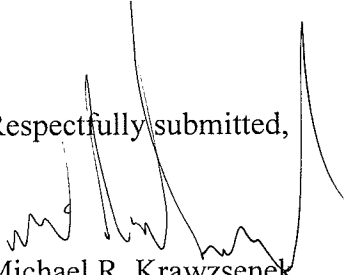
At this time, claims 36-38 and 49 are believed to read on the elected species.

Applicant requests that additional non-elected species be searched upon the allowance of a generic claim. *See* 37 C.F.R. § 1.141.

C. Conclusion

Applicant requests that substantive examination begin. The Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's representative at (512) 536-3020 with any questions, comments, or suggestions relating to this case.

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